

pool plant under this order in the immediately preceding month shall continue to be subject to all of the provisions of this part until the third consecutive month in which a greater proportion of such plant's total route disposition is made in such other marketing area, unless the other order requires regulation of the plant without regard to its maintaining pool status under this order on the basis of the proviso of this paragraph;

(3) A distributing plant qualified pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section which meets the requirements of a fully regulated plant pursuant to the provisions of another Federal order and from which during the month there is a greater quantity of route disposition, except filled milk, in the Southern Illinois-Eastern marketing area than in the other marketing area, and such other order which fully regulates the plant does not contain provisions to exempt the plant from regulation even though such plant has greater such route disposition in the marketing area of the Southern Illinois-Eastern order; and

(4) Any plant qualified pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section for any portion of the period of February through August, inclusive, that the milk at such plant is subject to the classification and pricing provisions of another order issued pursuant to the Act.

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§ 1032.8 Nonpool plant.

Nonpool plant means any milk or filled milk receiving, manufacturing, or processing plant other than a pool plant. The following categories of nonpool plants are further defined as follows:

(a) *Other order plant* means a plant that is fully subject to the pricing and pooling provisions of another order issued pursuant to the Act.

(b) *Producer-handler plant* means a plant operated by a producer-handler as defined in any order (including this part) issued pursuant to the Act.

(c) *Partially regulated distributing plant* means a nonpool plant that is neither an other order plant nor a pro-

ducer-handler plant, from which there is route disposition in consumer-type packages or dispenser units in the marketing area during the month.

(d) *Unregulated supply plant* means a nonpool plant that is neither an other order plant nor a producer-handler plant, from which fluid milk products are shipped to a pool plant.

§ 1032.9 Handler.

Handler means:

(a) Any person in his capacity as the operator of a pool plant;

(b) Any cooperative association with respect to milk of its members diverted for its account pursuant to § 1032.13;

(c) Any cooperative association with respect to the milk of its members which is received from the farm for delivery to the pool plant of another handler in a tank truck owned and operated by, or under contract to such cooperative association. The cooperative association, prior to the first day of the month of delivery, shall notify in writing the market administrator and the handler to whose plant the milk is delivered, that it will be the handler for the milk. For purposes of location adjustments to producers, milk so delivered shall be deemed to have been received by the cooperative association at a pool plant at the location of the pool plant to which it is delivered;

(d) Any person in his capacity as the operator of a partially regulated distributing plant;

(e) A producer-handler;

(f) Any person who operates an other order plant described in § 1032.7(d); and

(g) Any person in his capacity as the operator of an unregulated supply plant.

§ 1032.10 Producer-handler.

Producer-handler means a person who:

(a) Operates a distributing plant and processes milk from his own farm production and who disposes of all or a portion of such milk as route disposition in the marketing area but who receives no milk from other dairy farmers or fluid milk products from nonpool plants: *Provided*, That the skim milk and butterfat disposed of in the form of fluid milk products designated as Class I milk pursuant to § 1032.40(a) does not

exceed the skim milk and butterfat, respectively, in the form of milk from his own farm production, and in the form of fluid milk products from pool plants of other handlers, allowing for inventory derived from such sources; and

(b) Assumes as his personal enterprise and risk the processing and distribution of fluid milk products and the maintenance, care, and management of dairy animals and other resources necessary to produce his own farm milk production.

§ 1032.11 [Reserved]

§ 1032.12 Producer.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, *producer* means any person who produces milk in compliance with the Grade A inspection requirements of a duly constituted health authority, and whose milk is received at a pool plant or diverted as producer milk pursuant to § 1032.13.

(b) “Producer” shall not include:

(1) A producer-handler as defined in any order (including this part) issued pursuant to the Act;

(2) Any person with respect to milk produced by him which is diverted to a pool plant from an other order plant if the other order designates such person as a producer under that order and such milk is allocated to Class II or Class III utilization pursuant to § 1032.44(a)(8)(iii) and the corresponding step of § 1032.44(b); and

(3) Any person with respect to milk produced by him which is reported as diverted to an other plant if any portion of such person’s milk so moved is assigned to Class I under the provisions of such other order.

§ 1032.13 Producer milk.

Producer milk means the skim milk and butterfat contained in milk of a producer that is:

(a) Received at a pool plant directly from a producer or a handler described in § 1032.9(c);

(b) Received by a handler described in § 1032.9(c) in excess of the quantity delivered to a pool plant(s);

(c) Diverted from a pool plant for the account of the handler operating such plant to another pool plant;

(d) Diverted from a pool plant to a nonpool plant (other than a producer-handler plant) for the account of the handler described in § 1032.9 (a) or (b), subject to the following conditions:

(1) Milk of a dairy farmer shall not be eligible for diversion during the months of August through April unless such producer’s milk is delivered to and physically received at a pool plant at least once during each such month;

(2) The total amount of milk diverted by a cooperative association during each of the months of September through November and January through April, shall not exceed 35 percent of the producer milk that such cooperative caused to be delivered to and diverted from pool plants in each such month and 45 percent of such producer milk deliveries and diversions by the cooperative in each of the months of August and December;

(3) The operator of a pool plant (other than a cooperative association) may divert any milk that is not under the control of a cooperative association that is diverting milk during the month pursuant to (d)(2) of this section. The total amount of milk diverted during each of the months of September through November and January through April shall not exceed 35 percent of such plant operator’s producer milk received at and diverted from such pool plant and 45 percent of such plant operator’s producer milk receipts and diversions in each of the months of August and December;

(4) The quantity of milk diverted in excess of the applicable percentage limit prescribed in paragraph (d) (2) or (3) of this section shall not be producer milk. In such event, the handler diverting such milk may designate the dairy farmer deliveries that shall not be producer milk. If the handler fails to make such designation, milk diverted on the last day of the month, then the next-to-last day of the month, and so on, shall be excluded until such exclusions cover the excess quantity;

(5) The quantity of milk diverted for the account of a cooperative association from a pool plant of another handler that would cause the pool plant to be a nonpool plant shall not be producer milk. In such event, the diverting handler may designate the dairy